



Date: March 14, 2013

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

CONTACT: Sergeant Brent Coombs 623 930-3076 Officer Tracey Breeden 623 930- 3276

## Elderly Victim Scammed by Con Artists

GLENDALE, Ariz. —On Monday afternoon, February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2013, an 87 year old elderly male was approached by an adult female suspect while shopping in Wal-Mart, located at 9350 W. Northern Avenue. The suspect approached the victim and struck up a conversation. The suspect told the victim she was a nurse at a local hospital and was currently taking care of his wife while she was at the hospital. The suspect told the victim she was in need of a loan and in return for the loan she would provide personal care for his wife.

Unaware he was being scammed, the elderly victim drove the suspect along with one other adult female suspect and child to his home. Once there, the victim provided the two suspects with over \$1000 in cash and his credit card number. He then drove them back to Wal-Mart. The suspects immediately left, possibly in a white Chevrolet crew cab ¾ ton pickup truck. The victim's credit card was used by the suspects at multiple merchants for approximately \$2000 dollars in merchandise before the account could be closed.

Police obtained excellent surveillance video of the suspects. The suspect's ethnicities are unknown, but both women had medium complexions. The first female suspect appears to be approximately 35 to 45 years old, 5'4" to 5'6" inches tall, 150 to 160 pounds, with brown shoulder length hair. The second female suspect appears to be approximately 30 years old, 5'4" to 5'6" inches tall, 130 pounds, with brown hair. They had a male child with them appearing to be 8 to 12 years old.

Glendale Police Fraud and Forgery Detectives have been diligently working on this case and have exhausted all leads. Detectives are seeking the community's help identifying the suspect involved in this

crime. The Glendale Police Department encourages anyone that has information on the suspect to call Detective Harry Steward at 623-930-3217 or Silent Witness at 480-WITNESS.

A copy of the surveillance video is available to the media for pickup at the Glendale Police Record's desk located at 6835 N. 57<sup>th</sup> Drive. The victim has no desire to be interviewed at this time.

###

\*Spanish translation available if needed

"The Glendale Police Department's mission is to protect the lives and property of the people we serve."

Glendale Police Department a proud recipient of CALEA National Accreditation since 2000